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SUBJECT: ANTARCTICA: CONVENTION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF
ANTARCTIC SEALS -- MARITIME JURISDICTION OF ARGENTINA

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1. ON AUGUST 17, EMBASSY LONDON RECEIVED A DIPLOMATIC
NOTE FROM FCO WHICH CONTAINED A COPY, IN RUSSIAN, OF A
USSR DIPLOMATIC NOTE TO THE UK ON THE SUBJECT OF THE
CONVENTION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF ANTARCTIC SEALS.
THE USSR NOTE, DATED JULY 18, TOOK EXCEPTION TO THE
MARCH 7 DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF ARGENTINA TO THE UK IN
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WHICH ARGENTINA MADE A STATEMENT CONCERNING ITS
ANTARCTIC MARITIME JURISDICTION.

2. FOLLOWING IS AN OFFICIAL ARGENTINE TRANSLATION OF
ITS NOTE OF MARCH 7, 1978, TO THE FCO WHICH ACCOMPANIED
ITS INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION OF THE CONVENTION.
BEGIN TEXT. "THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC WISHES TO STATE

THAT THE MENTION IN ARTICLE IV OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY INCLUDED IN ARTICLE 1 OF THE "CONVENTION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF ANTARCTIC SEALS," MEANS THAT NOTHING IN THE SAID CONVENTION AFFECTS OR IMPAIRS ITS SOVEREIGNTY RIGHTS AND MARITIME JURISDICTION AND ITS JURIDICAL POSITION IN THIS MATTER." END TEXT.

3. FOLLOWING IS AN INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT OF THE USSR NOTE OF JULY 18, 1978, WHICH THE EMBASSY RECEIVED UNDERCOVER OF UK DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF AUGUST 15, 1978.

BEGIN TEXT. THE SOVIET EMBASSY PRESENTS ITS RESPECTS TO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS AND HAS THE HONOR TO COMMUNICATE THE FOLLOWING IN CONNECTION WITH THE NOTE OF THE MINISTRY OF 3 APRIL 1978, WHICH ADVISED OF THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY ARGENTINA OF THE RATIFICATION OF THE CONVENTION ON PRESERVING ANTARCTIC SEALS AND ON THE ARGENTINE DECLARATION CONCERNING THIS. AS IS KNOWN, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION HAS ALREADY DECLARED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS THAT IT DOES NOT RECOGNIZE TERRITORIAL CLAIMS WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE BY SEVERAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE ANTARCTIC. THE EMBASSY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO INVITE ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT THE REFERENCE CONTAINED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DECLARATION TO THE MARITIME JURISDICTION OF ARGENTINA IN THE AREA UNCLASSIFIED

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WHERE THE AGREEMENT OF 1959 ON ANTARCTICA IS IN FORCE, IS AT ODDS WITH POINT 2 ARTICLE IV OF THAT SAME AGREEMENT, ACCORDING TO WHICH NO EXPANSION OF EXISTING TERRITORIAL CLAIMS ON TERRITORIAL SOVEREIGNTY IN ANTARCTICA SHOULD BE MADE AS LONG AS THE PRESENT AGREEMENT IS IN FORCE. THE EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT THE MINISTRY BRING THE PRESENT NOTE TO THE ATTENTION OF ALL GOVERNMENTS WHICH WERE INFORMED OF THE ARGENTINE DECLARATION. THE EMBASSY TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW ITS EXPRESSIONS OF RESPECT...(ETC., ETC.)
LONDON 18 JULY 1978 END TEXT

4. COPY OF ALL 3 NOTES BEING POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT (OES).

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